# DOCUMENT IS AWAITED

Junta Meets and Agrees to Push the Matter Through-Action Causes Great Rejoicing-That Co-Iombian Army.

A cable dispatch from Panama says: The junta committee, composed of Jose Augustin Aranggo, Thomas Arias and Manuel Espipnosa, held a meeting at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, all the ministers of state and councillors being present, and unanimously decided to ratify the canal treaty as soon as it received and authorize Minister Bunau-Varilla officially to communicate the junta's decision to the United

States government. El Conista, an old newspaper of the long conservative school, publishes a long article on the career of Dr. Manuel Amador, minister of finance of the republic of Panama, in which it is proclaimed that the doctor is the only possible candidate for the presidency of

the republic. El Lapiz, a paper which has always advocated the doctrine of the liberal party, publishes an article on the same subject and along the same lines. Isthmians hall Dr. Amador as the benefactor of Panama, the principal factor in the work of Independence, a thorough patriot, a great administrator and honest and upright in all his dealings.

Municipalities throughout the isthmian territory continue to pass resolutions declaring that Dr. Amador will be elected the first president of the republic by an overwhelming majority

Colombian Ports Closed. The text of the decree closing the ports of the department of Bollya: reached Colombia Thursday. It pro habits until further notice all traffic or business between the ports in that department and the "rebel depart ment" in Panama, and says:

"The department of Panama having declared itself free and independent and having taken up arms against the national government in an effort to destroy Colombian integrity, dignity and honor, Colombia requires the employment of such measures ase are indispensable for the punishment and suppression of the rebels. The act closing the ports mentioned is taken by the government of Bolivar independent of the Bogota government Bolivar can do all sue considers necessary for the defense of the state, and among the measures which the legiti mate ends of her warrant is the depriving of the enemy of resources and the free traffic of commerce."

The decree provides also that neutral vessels having called at Panaman ports shall be refused admission to ports of Bolivar.

The royal mail steamer Trent re turned during the day from the ports on the coast. She landed some of the Bolivion commissioners at Savanilla and sailed thence for Cartagena where she was only allowed to com municate with the shore. The authorities refused to clear the Trent for Colon. No mails, passengers or freight from Savanilla or Cartagena destined for Colon were permitted to be taken

The correspondent of the Asocciated Press at Colon received a telegram from Botoga, dated November 21, saying that the government had issued orders to raise the army footing to 100, 000 men in the event that General Reyes' mission to Washington should prove fruitless.

## BORE FIRST HOSTILE ORDER.

General Groner, Noted Confederate Passes Away in Norfolk, Va. A special from Norfolk, Va., says:

General V. D. Groner died at the Sarah Leigh hospital Wednesday. He carried the message to General Beaure gard from the confederate war depart ment ordering the attack upon Fort Sumter, which began the civil war.

## PANAMANS REMAIN FIRM.

Another Colombian Commission, Bear ing Overtures, is Turned Down. At Colon, Friday, the Panaman com-

mission conferred at length with another Colombian commission, headed French steamer Canada. The Pana mans refused every overture, deciaring their position was irrevocable, and

## WHEELER TO WED WIDOW.

"Little Joe" A Relict of George W Childe Soon to be Made One. Society in Boston is discussing with vigor the approaching wedding of General Joseph Wheeler and Mrs. George by the United States grand jury at W. Childs, as the latter has many so clety intimates there. There are two factions, one lauding the proposed union to the echo, and the other declaring the match to be absurd.

# CHARGES AGAINST FIREMEN.

While Flames Raged Fire Fighters Stole Fine Goods and Jewelry. Six member of the Louisville, Ky fire department were notified Saturday by Chief Tyson to appear before the board of public safety Monday to an swer charges of looting in a fire which destroyed the old Masonic temple.

Fine goods identified as having been in a jewelry store and a drug store were found in the lockers and under to Bristol, England, on the Russian the mattresses of the men in the en bark Alice. gine house,

## EGAN LEAVES CENTRAL

Popular President of Great Railway System Gets Leave of Absence, Report Says is Permanent,

from Savannah, President John M. Egan, of the Central of Georgia railway, has tendered his resignation and goes to New York on a two weeks' leave of absence. Thereafter his connection with the Central will termi-

This action of Mr. Egan will come as a tremendous surprise. Wherever the Central system touches there will be regret at his action. At the last the breach that had existed between President Egan and Major J. F. Hanson, of Macon, chairman of the board, had been healed and that all the differences that had obtained between these two officials had been adjusted. For this rason, too, the surprise in

nation will be the greater. It has long been known that the re-Major Hanson were not pleasant offi-

the announcement of Mr. Egan's resig-

Major Hanson replied Sunday night in response to an inquiry by the Associated Press as to the resignation: "Mr. Egan has applied for a leave of

absence and it has been granted." President Egan was seen by a press firm the statement that he had resigned. He merely said that he had been granted two weeks' leave of absence and that he was leaving for New York. He did not know just where he will spend his holiday, he

President Egan has been with the Central of Georgia since 1896, when he came to the road in the capacity of vice president. He was also vice president of the Ocean Steamship Com-

Upon the death of the late H. M Comer he was made president of the Central, and subsequently president of the Ocean Steamship Company. In course of time the difference between himself and Major Hanson developed, however, and Major Hanson was finally elected chairman of the board of the Central, and also president of the Ocean Steamship Company, which is closely allied. The president of the railroad had to report to the chairman of the board.

#### RATHBONE "KNOCKS" GEN WOOD.

Former Director of Posts in Cuba

Makes Some Salty Charges. Major Estes G. Rathbone, formerly director of the posts in Cuba, was given a hearing before the military affairs committee of the senate, Friday, and reiterated the charges made several times before the secretary of war, the senate committee on relations with Cuba and in public state ments following his trial in connection with Cuban postal frauds.

With reference to the charge that Governor General Wood had exceeded his authority in giving instructions to the courts, Major Rathbone said that the general had pursued this course in the Cuban postal case when he (Rathwas, he said, in violation of article 387 of the penal code of Cuba and in a manner prejudicial to the rights and interests of those under trial.

## NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

Of Followers of John Wesley Opened Auspiclously at Griffin.

The thirty-seventh annual session of the North Georgia Methodist conference convened at the First Methodist church in Griffin Wednesday, with Bishop Key presiding. Conference was opened with prayer by the venerable bishop, who also read the morning lesson from the 17th chapter of John, making several beautiful remarks upon

The morning session consisted in reading the various reports of commit-

Dr. J. W. Heidt, the secretary, read the roll call, after which he was re elected secretary for the ensuing year. Routine matters of the conference were then taken up.

## WAGES ARE CUT DOWN.

Only One Fall River Corporation

Stands by Its Operatives. The first of the numerous reductions

by General Reyes, which arrived of southern New England and at half Thursday from Savanilla on the a dozen points outside that territory went into effect in all but one Fall River corporation Monday, and a number of outside mills. Although about declared they would not receive any 32,000 operatives had their pay cut further commissions from Colombia down, no general strike occurred in unless they recognized the republic of any mill. The cut averages 10 per cent. The reduction affected seventy eight mills in Fall River alone.

## ON SHANGHAING CHARGES

Harry Olsen, at Savannah, Is Indicted by Federal Grand Jury. Harry Olsen, white, was indicted

Savannah, Ga., on four charges of shanghaing. The cases are the first ever return

ed in the district, and are probably the first returned since the enactment of the shanghai or kidnaping law.

Joseph Rucker and John Seago white boys, are two of the alleged victims of the illegal practices of Olsen. The story of their shipment aboard the British bark Kambria and their subsequent arrival at Santos, Brazil, with all the harrowing details of the

trip, has been told in the press. Indictments were also returned against Olsen for shanghaing Mose Smallwood and Joseph Easterlin, two of the eight negroes wro were shipped

#### LIFE SENTENCE FOR NIX.

Seenteen-Year-Old Georgia Boy Con victed of Double Murder.

Bartow Nix, the 17-ear-old slayer of John T. Edwards and Jeff Edwards According to a dispatch sent out will spend the rest of his life in the penitentiary for his deed, if the verdict returned by the jury at Columbus Ga., Thursday night stands.

> At 7:30 o'clock, after having been verdict of guilty of murder, with a rec ommendation to mercy.

Imprisonment for life is the only sentence that can be imposed. The boy displayed no emotion when the verdict annual meeting of the Central railway | was received, and the only comment an announcement was authorized that he had to make on it afterwards was to say that he was disappointed.

There was no demonstration in the court room when the verdict was an-

Bartow Nix made his statement to the jury Wednesday afternoon. The rapidly. He said that he did not carry his gun with him on the day of the tragedy, because he was looking for lations between President Egan and the Edwardses, as he did not know they were cutting the oats until he arrived on the scene. He stated that he asked Mr. Edwards three times to trict also made a good showing. leave the field, saying that the court had awarded the land to his father; that during the conversation young Jeff Edwards went off a few steps an l got his gun and stood by his father's epresentative, but he would not con- side; that Edwards not only refused to rtop cutting oats, but cursed him, coupling the oath with a threat, and | ing. grabbed for the gun in his son's hands, whereupon, Nix says, he fired, believing his own life to be in imminent peril, and that he shot the elder Ed wards and then his son, Jeff, in self defense. Jeff also shooting at him (Nix) twice, but not hitting him. Both the Nix and Edwards families

#### MRS. TANNER'S STATEMENT.

hold deeds to the disputed land.

Young Woman Explains in Court How Husband Was Poisoned.

All the evidence in the Tanner case at Gainesville, Ga., was in by 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and Mrs. Onie Tanner went on the stand to testify in her own behalf.

After stating that the milk which

from Willie's mother, Mrs. Tanner "He drank some of it, but said a once that it was very sour and gave it to me to taste. I took some and swallowed just a little. It was so sour I spit it out and rinsed my mouth out with some water. What little I took made me feel a little sick and I poured the rates on the P. and A. division of

what was left in the slop. Willie fin the Louisville and Nashville railroad ished eating and slopped the pig. In a few minutes Willie came back and ir with the rates from that point to Sa fifteen or twenty minutes said. "Onie vannah, were so high and so unrea-

did not give him any poison and I did cree which sustained substantially the not put any strychnine, or anything else, in the buttermilk, and I would not have hurt him for the whole world. ! did send for some strychnine about two weeks before, but I sent for it to poison a big yellow dog that had been sneaking around. This strychnine we bone) was under prosecution. This save the dog is all I ever saw in my the dog. They claimed that I confess order had been violated and asked that ed to poisoning Willie, but it is not true. I never poisoned him and I never confessed it. I am as innocent of doing Willie any harm as any of you. I loved Willie and we got along all right, and I would not have nurt him for anything. They have done every thing they could to convict me, right

# or wrong, but I am not guilty."

Ryan-Blair Syndicate is Given Contro

NEW SEABOARD MANAGERS.

of Big System. Changes have been made in the vot ing trust of the Seaboard Air Line rail oad which places the road under the control of the Ryan-Blair syndicated eral solddier. The registrars again rety and was given equal representation mann syndicate.

## AMERICA'S BEAUTY CREMATED.

Mrs. Bracken Meets Tragic Death at

Her Home in Tennessee. At Murfreesboro, Tenn., Mrs. Silas Brackin was burned to death in an out building used while their residence in wages announced in the cotton mills was being remodeled. Mrs. Bracken was cremated before she could be rescued by workmen.

> Mrs. Bracken was Miss Mae Belle Gregory before her marriage, and several years ago was acknowledged the contest conducted by a New York

## HELD WHITE MAN SLAVE.

Alabama Farmer Bound Over on Most Sensational Charge.

G. D. McElvain, a white farmer, of Geneva county, Ala., was bound over by United States Commissioner Tutwiler, of Troy, under bond of \$300 on a charge of peonage.

It is said he held a white man, Tom Berry, in a condition of peonage.

## BRYAN MEETS BRITISHERS.

Ambasador Choate, in London, Honors Nebraskan With Luncheon.

A London special says: Ambassa dor Choate gave a inncheon to William Jennings Bryan Thursday. Among the distinguished persons in | rowly averted. vited to meet Mr. Bryan were Premier Balfour, the earl of Onslow, Charles T. Ritchie, Sir Robert Giffen, Sir Gil pert Parker, Moreton Frewen, Lord Avon, Conn., recently presented him Denbigh, Lord Mount-Stephen and W L. Courtney. The luncheon was in its largest circumference by 6% inches in its smaller circumference, formal and no speeches were made.

#### METHODISTS IN SESSION

South Georgia Ministers Gather Sandersville for Thirty-Seventh Annual Conference.

The thirty-seventh annual session o the South Georgia conference of the Methodist church, south, was cailed to order in the church at Sandersville THREE HUNDRED KILLED Wednesday morning by Bishop Joseph out three hours, the jury brought in a S. Key. There was a large attend ance of preachers and laymen, besides in Five Days of Fighting Two Thoulocal visitors

Bishop Key gave out the old bymn Jesus, the Name righ Over All, three hundred voices joining in the familiar music.

The bishop read the scriptures from Psalms and the Sermon on the Mount. N. F. Smith was elected secretary and then several assistants were

The entire morning session was ta

ken up with the roll call, the appointboy wah somewhat excited, and talked ment of committees and receiving various reports. The presiding elders of the different districts read their reports, North Ma-

> tricts being in the lead. Their reports were exceptionally fine. Dublin dis-Pastors' names were then called. characters passed, and their reports

con, Savannah and Thomasville dis-

Bishop A. W. Wilson, of Baltimore visiting bishop, was early introduced to the conference. He preached the Thanksgiving sermon Thursday morn-

Several connectional brethren were also introduced and spoke in behali

#### RAILROOADS IN CONTEMPT.

of the causes they represented.

Judge Speer Cites a Number of Offi cials for Ignoring Order.

In the United States court at Savannah, Wednesday, Judge Speer issued 8 strong. rule for contempt against President Milton H. Smith, of the Louusville and Nashville railroad; W. Hale, superin tendent of the tourth division of the Seaboard Air Line railway, and W. B. Denham, superintendent of the secondivision of the Atlantic Coast Line rail way, ordering them to show cause why they should not be attached for con tempt for disregarding the order of the made her husband ill was obtained court. The case in contempt proceed ings will be heard at Macon December 14. The cass in which the proceedings were had is that of the interstate commerce commission against the Louis ville and Nashville railroad, the Florida Central and Peninsula railroad and the Savannah Floridia and Westerr railroad, in which they claimed that to River Junction, Fla., in conjunction sonable as to be prohibitory. On July "I don't know what killed Willie. 1 21, 1903, Judge Speer rendered a de contentions of the United States com merce commission. The decree was accepted by the railroad officials named above. Since the service of the decree the railroads have practically paid no attention to the terms of the decree in consequence of which the United States commerce commission filed life, and I am sure we gave it all to the complaint that the injunction the court issue a rule against the de-

#### fendants. The rule issued accordingly. NEGRO WINS HIS CASE.

Alabama Registrars Turned Down by State Supreme Sourt.

In the Alabama supreme court Wednesday Justice Haralson decided an important case, that of the State of Alabama vs. Peter Crenshaw, a negro of Limestone county. Crenshaw applied to the registrar of that county, under the constitution, to register him that he might vote. This the registrars refused. Crenshaw then produced documents showing that he had been a fed-The syndicate recently agreed to ad- fused to register him, and he appealed vance funds to rehabititate the proper to the courts. A jury of the circuit court decided in the negro's favor. The of the British directors with the South- state solicitor appealed the case to ern interests and the Ladenburg-Thal- the supreme court and that court now dismisses the case.

## FREAK YOUNGSTER BORN.

Boy Baby Comes Into the World With

Two Necks and Two Heads. Mrs. William Gillespie, of Philips-

burg, W. Va., is the mother of a male child which has two necks, each mounted by a perfect head. From the shoulders down the child was perfectly normal and fully developed. Each head had perfect eyes, ears and a normal nose and mouth and apparently most beautiful woman in America in a cach head had connection with the lungs perfectly developed, for respiration was for a time perfect in each head. The child did not live long.

## POLICE CLUB FOOTBALLISTS.

Riot Narrowly Averted by Blue Coats in Atlanta

The crowded lobby of the Kimball house, in Atlanta, where football en able for larding, and pork which is thusiasts had assembled to celebrate, firm and young is the best. The strips place. was the scene of a lively row late should be cut about as thick as a Thursday evening. Folicemen drew lead pencil and three and a half billies and pistols and several young inches long. Draw about two dozen men were clubbed by an officer. One lardons through the beef with a lardpoliceman had his coat torn from his ing needle and insert, if desired, strips body by two hundred college boys who of carrot and onion, using the fingers were trying to rescue a prisoner who and a small sharp knife. Meat treatwas under arrest.

the police declare that a riot was nar-

Hen Lays Enormous Egg. A hen owned by Dwight Fish of with an egg measuring 814 inches in

# MANY MOROS SLAIN

General Wood's Men Make Bloody Raid Upon Rebels.

sand of the Islanders Were Put to Rout-Treacherous Ambuscade Laid for Americans.

A special from Manila says: Three hundred Moros are known to have been killed and many others were carried off dead or wounded as a result of five days' severe fighting in Jolo between the American troops, under General Leonard Wood, and the insurgents. Major H. L. Scott, of the Fourteenth cavalry, and five American privates were wounded.

General Wood landed near Siet lake, in Jolo, November 12. The Moros were soon located and fighting began immediately and continued until November 17.

Major Scott was taking Panglima Hassen, the Moro leader, who had been taken a prisoner, to Jolo. While en route, Hassen asked to be allowed to see his family. His request was granted, and thereupon he led Major Scott into an ambuscade, where the American detachment was fired upon. Major Scott was shot in both hands.

this unexpected attack, The fighting took place in a country covered with rocks. The Moros were driven across the country from Siet lake to the town which Hassen has made his headquarters, and where it was reported the Moros were 2,000

Hassen succeeded in escaping during

The rebel position was attacked in the flank by the American troops, who occupied the town and inflicted a loss of fifty killed on the Moros. Hassen, with a small party, surrendered. The rest of the Moros went into the swamps, out of which they were driven on November 16, leaving seventythree dead behind them. On November 17 the American forces renewed the attack on the remaining Moros, of whom forty more were killed.

The rebel forces have been literally destroyed by these operations, and General Wood says the indications are that there will be no extension of the uprising, which was handled without difficulty.

On November 18 General Wood started on an expedition against a bill. body of 2,000 Moros who are in the mountains back of Tablibi. No news has as yet been received in Manila as their revolvers, marked the opening to the result of this movement.

#### COLOMBIANS UNPACIFIED.

Press Continues to Criticise and Denounce American Government.

The press of Colombia continues to severely criticise and denounce the American government for its action in isthmian affairs and the recognition of the republic of Panama. This is shown in a dispatch received at the state department late Saturday night from Minister Beaupre, at Bogota, President Roosevelt, the United States congress and the people are the targets

of violent denunciations. A dispatch from Bogota says: A man prominent in public affairs has informed the correspondent of the Associated Press that the Colombian government would await the result of the mission to Washington of General Reyes before deciding upon its policy as regards the new republic of Panama. The general opinion is that there will be war, but that the government first will do its utmost to effect a dip-

lomatic arrangement. The belief is expressed in government circles that the United States senate will not approve of the action of President Roosevelt regarding affairs on the isthmus. All partles in Bogota have offered their aid to the against General Wood. government, and over 100,000 volunteers have tendered their services in the event of the declaration of hostillties.

REBELS RULE IN SAN DOMINGO. Articles of Capitulation Signed and

Government Changes Hands. The articles of the capitulation of San Domingo were signed by President Wos y Gil, and the ministers of the United States, Belgium, Haiti and Spain. The conditions provide full

guarantee of the protection of the inhabitants and all property. The revolutionists entered the city, nd the provisional government will remove from Santiago de Los Cabelleros

## LARDED BEEF

A bit of shoulder or some other in-

to the capital.

expensive piece of beef makes an excellent larded pot roast, and when properly prepared it is almost equal to good rib roast. A lean cut which would otherwise lack fat is most suited with vegetables in this way is said Several arrests were made and to be daubed, and larding and "daubcharges were preferred against the polling" are characteristic of the French liceman who used his billy. The affair a la mode, which is generally made of created the greatest excitement and a piece of plain round of beef and roasted in the pot until it is almost as tender as a fillet of beef. A larding needle costs only ten or twelve cents, and should be a part of the outfit of every housekeeper .- New York Tribune.

eles of France is 56,000,000.

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Cream of News. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Brief Summary of Most Important Events of Each Day.

a Georgia building at the St. Louis exposition.

-The supreme court of North Carolina has affirmed the verdict of the lower court giving Former Populist siting the wise men to partake of his Candidate for Lieutenant Governor with it that they made him a saint. Seawell \$5,000 damages for the egging received at Shelby. troduced into the West Inudies in 1723 -Five bandits looted the bank vault

at Brunson, S. C., Tuesday morning, dynamiting the vault and safe. They secured \$700. -At the trial of Mrs. Onle Tanner for the murder of her husband, Wylle

Tanner, at Gainesville, Ga., Tanner's father swore that the wife confessed after his death. -In the federal court at Savannah, Ga., Tuesday, Edward J., Frank and

William McRee pleaded guilty to thir. teen indictments alleging peonage and were fined \$1,000 by Judge Emory -By the agreement of both the "prohis" and the "antis" in Hall county Ga., the proposed liquor election is to

be called off in the interest of the peace of the community. -Dr. Cobb, a negro physician of Valdosta, Ga., was arrested Tuesday on an indictment of the federal grand jury charging him with holding a girl

as a slave. -The colored Baptist congress of Georgia, at Macon, passed resolutions asking that a dollar a drink be made the minimum price for liquor.

-Congressman Thompson, of Alabama, is fighting the creation of a postoffice at Booker Washington's Tuskegee school, which will, if established, carry with the appointment of Wash ington's brother as postmaster. -Opponents of the confirmation of

General Wood express the opinion that

the military committee will report fa-

vorably, but that it is doubtful if the senate will accept the report. -The annual session of the North Georgia conference of the methodist church, south, closed at Griffin Monday night with the reading of the appoint.

ments by Bishop Key. -In a church at Canton, Miss., Miss Belle Kearney created a sensation by charging that Bishop Galloway pre vented the passage of a prohibition

of the State street cable line by the Chicago city railway Monday. -At New York Federal Judge Laombe has refused to turn over to C. F. W. Neely the \$20,000 cash ball which the latter deposited when ar-

postal frauds. In his decision the judge spoke of Neely as a thief. -Panama and Cuba were discussed in the senate Monday, Senator Morgan After a time another woman appeared severely criticising the course of President Roosevelt in the Panama affair. Several senators objected to the who belonged to the baby buggy, and Newlands resolution inviting Cuba to

-A long cablegram has been received at the war department giving details of the recent battle with the Moros. Details show that the Moro forces were cut to pieces.

join the union.

-No secret is made at Washington of the fact that the administration is an who came out of the store. She making preparations for a possible war with Colombia over the secession of the isthmus.

-The house is not disposed to adourn until the senate acts on the Cuban reciprocity bill. The two houses -The senate committee on military

affairs will send a sub-committee to Cuba to investigate the charges -William Wise was acquitted at Birmingham, Ala., of the charge of mur-

dering Silas Latham, the alleged traducer of his sister's fame. -President Wos y Gall, in his effort to bring out a peaceful arrangement with the insurgent forces which are besieging San Domingo, commissioner United States Minister Powell, the Belgian minister to Haiti and the Spanish consul to visit the insurgent camp. The insurgents, however rejected the

peace proposals. -Germany has chosen J. B. G. Becker, of Texas, to superintend cotton

growing operations in East Africa. -Three hundred Moros killed and as many others carried off dead or wounded as a result of five days' fighting in Jolo, Philippines, hetween the American troops, under General Leonard Wood, and the insurgents.

-Indians of the Six Nations in New York pronounced eulogies over the casket of their "great white mother," Mrs. Harriet Maxwell Converse, and "passed the horns" to Joseph Kepple", informing him that he had been selected to take the great white mother's

-Negotiations looking to a treaty of peace between the rebels and the government of San Domingo have been opened. There will be a suspension of hostilities in the meantime.

-The teamsters of Chicago have rejected the ultimatum of their employers and an order for a strike, in which 30,000 will be involved, was given. -Burglars at Marion, Inc., attempt-

secure her diamond rings. The girl screamed and the burglars fied. -At Crycstal, Fla., at an early houh

the postoffice. -Kalser William has directed the The population of the dependen German authorities to give official recognition to the republic of Panama, beart.

CRICIN OF COFFEE,

Jervish Discovered Uses of the Berry Centuries Ago.

As to the history of coffee the legend runs that it was first found growing wild in Arabia. Hadji Omar, a deryish, discovered it in 1285, 617 years ago. He was dying of hunger in the wilderness, when, finding some small round berries, he tried to eat them, but -A committee has been appointed they were bitter. He tried roasting by Governor Terrell to raise funds for them, and these he finally steeped in some water held in the hollow of his hand, and found the decoction as refreshing as if he had partaken of solid food. He hurried back to Mocha, from which he had been banished, and, inliscovery they were so well pleased

The story is told that coffee was in-

by Chirac, a French physician, who gave a Norrian gentleman by the name of De Clieux, a captain of infantry, on his way to Martinique, a single plant. The sca voyage was a stormy one, the vessel was driven out of her course and drinking water became so scarce that it was distributed in rations. De to poisoning her husband immediately | Clieux, with an affection for his coffee plant, divided his portion of water with it, and succeeded in bringing it to Martinique, although weak, not in a hopeless condition. There he planted it in his garden, protected it with a fence of thorns, and watched it daily until the crop matured, yielding several pounds of coffee, which he distributed among the inhabitants of the island to be planted by them. From Martinique coffee trees in turn were sent to Santo Domingo, Guadaloupe and other neigh-

boring islands. The coffee tree is an evergreen shrub, growing in its natural state to a height of fourteen to eighteen feet. It is usually kept trimmed, however, for convenience in picking the berries, which grow along the branches close to the leaves and resemble in shape and color ordinary cherries. The tree cannot be grown above the frost line, neither can it be successfully grown in the tropics. The most successful climate for production is that found at an altitude of about 4000 feet. Anything much above this is in danger of frost, which is fatal to the tree, and when coffee is grown much below this it requires artificial shade, which materially increases the cost of production and does not produce as marketable berries. It is owing to this particular requirement that coffee has never been successfully produced in the United States .- Suc-

# Spotting the Married Men.

"There's a married man," said a man who stood in front of a department store in Brooklyn, on Saturday night. The one to whom he pointed was standing on the corner. "How do you know?" the man with

the detective instinct was asked. "Oh, it's easy to pick them," he re-"There's another, and there's -Fierce fighting, in which the poanother." He pointed to two others lice used their clubs freely and twice who were canatering back and forth, one young, the second gray-haired and smoking a clear. "Now, that fellow there, with the baby baggy, 's easy,' the speaker continued.

make any mistake about him. Their

wives are in the store, spending the week's allowance and the men are waiting for them. You know men hate rested for complicity in the Cuban a department store. "There! Wasn't I right?" he asked as a woman came out of the store and walked away with one of the men and was joined by one of the saunter ing men. Then out come the woman

> after depositing an armful of smal. rackages at the feet of the baby that party moved on. "How did you come to notice this?" the student of human nature was

asked. "I learned it ly experience," was his Just then he lifted his hat to a wom-

slipped her hand under his arm and they walked away together .- New

In England leap year is supposed to

#### York Press. Lesson For Leap Year.

confer upon the fair sex the privilege are likely to clash over adjournment, of choosing life partners for better or for worse, but the custom is more honored in the breach than in the observance. The gypsies, especially in Hungary, enjoy and make a very extensive use of the right at all times, in accordance with an ancient custom. Thus a marriageable young gypsy girl in the land of the Magyars, as soon as her heart is smitten, takes good care that the smiter shall hear of the havoc he has wrought and have a chance of consoling her. With this praiseworthy object in view, the has a love letter indited, places a coin in a piece of dough, bakes it and throws the billet doux during the night into the bed chamber of her bridegroom-elect. Then she possesses her soul in patience and awaits developments. The Burmese maiden begins her marriage campaign at a much earlier stage. In order to get together a goodly gathering of young men from whom to choose she places a lamp in her window at night-it is known as the "lamp of love"-and entices all those youths who are candidates for the order of benedict. In sunny Andalusia the peasant girl whose heart has been stolen by a stalwart young husbandman, prepares a tasty pumpkin cake and sends it to his home. If he eats it-and the Andalusian girls take good care to make it highly edible-the pair are forthwith betrothed.-London Telegraph.

#### Hearts of Hapsburgs. In the imperial burial vault in the Church of the Capuchins, in Vienna.

is a row of more than 150 crystal vases, mounted in gold and topped by a crown. Each of these vases contains the heart of a dead Hapsburg, a member of the imperial family. In the thirteenth century the Duke Francis died in Switzerland and directed that his heart should be removed and sent Vienna. Ever since this custom has been observed in the Hapsburg family. ed to cut off Edith Shippey's fingers to Cn the death of a member the heart is removed and preserved in a crystal vase. In the vault there are now 152 such vases and 113 imperial coffins Sunday morning cracksmen dynamited. The surplus of thirty-nine vases conthe safes in the Coast Line depot and tain the hearts of Hapsburgs whose bodies are buried elsewhere. The sole exception to this Hapsburg custom was that of the late Archduke Ludwig. whose will forbade the removal of his